August 4, 2011

Request for Letters of Interest (LOI) for Independent Cost Estimating Services

Non-project Specific / On-call Independent Cost Estimating Services Statewide

CDOT Colorado Bridge Enterprise

CDOT and Colorado Bridge Enterprise are soliciting Letters of Interest (LOI) from companies interested in providing independent cost estimating (ICE) services for projects utilizing the Construction Manager / General Contractor (CM/GC) delivery method.

CDOT will use its' Engineering Estimating Unit throughout the process to develop and compare estimates of probable cost. The cost estimate prepared by the ICE consultant shall be considered as a project bid for comparison basis to the cost estimate(s) prepared by the CM/GC.

During the course of CM/GC project delivery, cost estimates and schedules from the CM/GC will be evaluated in order to agree upon a guaranteed maximum price (GMP). The independent cost estimate will be prepared by a 3rd party, independent of CDOT and the CM/GC.

It is anticipated that the ICE consultant may have to provide up to 3 cost estimates for each GMP package on a project, and the ICE consultant shall participate in project meetings with CDOT/BE staff, design consultant and CM/GC prior to preparing the cost estimate. Estimates should be detailed bottoms-up that takes into consideration necessary craft labor, proposed means and methods, material and equipment, and competitive contractor unit prices. Further, the ICE cost estimates must utilize similar methodologies and software that bridge / transportation construction contractors commonly use. The use of parametric costing estimating techniques or average unit bids will not be acceptable.

The Contract for ICE is anticipated to be a non-project specific statewide contract with individual task orders to be negotiated for individual projects. The contract duration may be 1 to 2 years.

The negotiation period for the GMP may be up to 45 days for the first period; thereafter each subsequent period shall be no more than 30 days.

Letters of Interest must be sent by registered mail, Federal Express, UPS or a similar delivery method that furnishes proof of having been received by CDOT no later than 2:00 PM on August 26, 2011. Letters of Interest that are sent via fax or e-mail will not be accepted. Once companies have submitted a letter of interest they may meet with the CDOT Contract manager to discuss the upcoming request for proposal (RFP). Submitting a LOI is not mandatory for submitting a proposal on the upcoming request, however meetings with CDOT will not be made available until receipt of your LOI. No meetings with proposers will take place after the RFP has been issued.

Please address Statements of Interest to:

Nabil Haddad, PE Innovative Delivery 4201 E. Arkansas Ave Denver, CO. 80222 The following must be included in the Statements of Interest:

- 1. Title: Statement of Interest for the Independent Cost Estimating Services
- 2. Company name
- 3. Contact person
- 4. Name of Cost Estimator
- 5. Address, phone, fax, and e-mail information
- 6. Estimating and Scheduling methodology/approach and software

It is anticipated that the Request for Proposals will be released in Late Summer 2011.